

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1.-17. (Canceled)

18. (Previously presented) A method for the treatment of xerostomia, comprising administering a composition comprising a solid, dried, water-soluble or water-dispersible linseed extract that has an adsorption of at least 1.2 mg/m², wherein the adsorption is measured by contacting an aqueous solution or dispersion of the extract with a silica substrate, rinsing the silica substrate and then measuring the adsorption by ellipsometry.

19. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 18, wherein the adsorption of the extract is from 1.3 to 5 mg/m².

20. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 18, wherein the extract has been spray dried or freeze dried.

21. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 18, wherein the adsorption of the extract is from 1.75 to 2.5 mg/m².

22. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 18, wherein in the adsorption measurement method, there is a contact time between when the aqueous solution or dispersion of the extract contacts the silica substrate and when the silica substrate is rinsed, wherein the contact time is from 100 to 3000 seconds.

23. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 18, wherein the composition further comprises a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

24. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 23, wherein the composition comprises less than 10% water by weight.

25. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 18, wherein the composition is in solid.

26. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 19, wherein the adsorption of the extract is from 1.4 to 4 mg/m².

27. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 19, wherein the adsorption of the extract is from 1.5 to 3 mg/m².

28. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 21, wherein the adsorption of the extract is about 2 mg/m².

29. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 20, wherein the extract has been spray dried.

30. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 22, wherein the contact time is from 500 to 2500 seconds.

31. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 22, wherein the contact time is from 1000 to 2000 seconds.

32. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 24, wherein the composition comprises less than 5% water by weight.

33. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 24, wherein the composition comprises less than 2% water by weight.

34. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 24, wherein the composition comprises less than 1% water by weight.

35. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 25, wherein the composition is presented in the form of a tablet, capsule or a powder.